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| IN RE APPLICATION OF:              | )                            |
| Hutter et al.                      | ) EXAMINER: Nathan A. Bowers |
| SERIAL NO.: 10/698,555             | ) ART UNIT: 1744             |
| FILED: October 31, 2003            | )                            |
| FOR: METHOD, SYSTEM AND REACTION   | ) Confirmation No. 9951      |
| VESSEL FOR PROCESSING A BIOLOGICAL | )                            |
| SAMPLE CONTAINED IN A LIQUID       | )                            |

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on August 27, 2007, Applicants request consideration and entry of the following amendments and remarks. This response is accompanied by a request for a one-month extension of time. The new deadline to respond is December 27, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 6 of this paper.